Confirmation Candidates

To Help You to Keep Preparing as You Wait to Celebrate your Confirmation

1: Listen to Bishop Denis' message by watching the video

2: Write a letter or send an email to Bishop Denis:

Tell him how you are doing during these strange days when you can't go to school, are missing friends and family and wondering about what will happen in September when some of you are hoping to go to secondary school and others are planning to be in 6th class.

Tell him about the zoom or google meet classrooms, the schoolwork by email or on seesaw. Are you meeting your classmates in hangout or keeping in touch some other way? Are you walking, running, perfecting some sport skills or just being and taking time with your family? Did you do anything special to mark what should have been your Confirmation Day?

If you have already been confirmed, you could also tell him which gift of the Holy Spirit has helped you most in the past 10 weeks.

You can send it by email to

bishopdenis@kandle

or by post to: Bishop's House, Dublin Rd, Carlow

Decorate your Door for Pentecost



3:

Next Sunday, May 31, is the Feast of Pentecost when we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit to Jesus' friends, the apostles. On that day the Holy Spirit came down upon Jesus' friends, gave them the courage to leave the upper room where they were hiding away, to go out onto the streets of Jerusalem and share the good news of God's love for everyone. We can't go to church or

out onto the streets to celebrate the Feast but we can still remember and mark the day by decorating our front doors with red ribbons, a dove and perhaps some wind chimes or bells to represent the Holy Spirit. There are two pictures of different kinds of doves to colour or cut out on pages 5 & 6.¹

4: Pray this prayer

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

5: Go to Mass

Check and see if there is Mass on webcam in your local parish church for the Feast of Pentecost

or

Join Bishop Denis as he celebrates a Vigil Mass for the Feast of Pentecost in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow <u>http://www.carlowcathedral.ie/webcam/</u>

¹ Thanks to Louise Walton for the Picture of her Front Door



